


**CITY OF MIAMI BEACH**  
**Office of the City Manager**  
**Letter to Commission No. 127-2005**

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**To:** Mayor David Dermer and  
Members of the City Commission

**Date:** May 16, 2005

**From:** Jorge M. Gonzalez  
City Manager 

**Subject:** **"The Streets" Portrays Kids' Daily Challenges**

North Shore Park Youth Center After-School and Teen Club program members will perform the original work **"The Streets"** on the Youth Center stage Thursday, May 19, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. Recreation Supervisor Willie Priegues wrote the 14-scene play hoping to help adults to better understand the daily challenges his two dozen 10-to-17-year old students face in their daily lives.

"These are good kids, who are seldom what they appear to be at first glance," said Priegues. "You have to get past the stereotypes to really appreciate what they're up against and what they have to offer."

A 6-year Parks & Recreation employee and a winner of the 2002 "At Your Service" Award, Priegues said he collaborated with the youth to write the show as a means of helping them to create new ways to communicate with the adult world. This is an example of our on-going commitment to enhance programs for our teens.

***Please mark your calendar for these upcoming Parks & Recreation Department programs:***

- **Movie In The Park**, Saturday, May 21, 2005, 7:30 p.m., Flamingo Park Lawn
- **Pre-School Graduation**, (PAL & North Shore) Friday, May 27, 10:00 a.m., North Shore Park Youth Center
- **Playground Revue**, Thursday, July 14, 2005, 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m., Jackie Gleason Theater of the Performing Arts

You are cordially invited to visit our facilities and experience firsthand the recreational programs that offer something for every member of the family.

Should you have additional questions, please contact Kevin Smith at (305) 673-7730

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